

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

William P Heffner, Esq.
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Re: Highway 100 and County Road 3 and Reilly Tar Sites

Dear Mr. Heffner,

Thank you for your letter of September 24, 2019, regarding the Highway 100 and County Road 3 Site and the Reilly Tar Site. Your correspondence and the reports that were enclosed therein have been included in the site files for both Sites.

The United States Environmental Protection Agency evaluated the Highway 100 and County Road 3 Site under the Superfund Site Assessment investigation process, in coordination with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency. Site Assessment evaluations are screening tools rather than comprehensive investigations about nature and extent of a release of hazardous substances.

EPA issued a press release on October 30, 2019, announcing the proposal of the Highway 100 and County Road 3 Site to the National Priorities List. The proposal will be published in the Federal Register soon. The Documentation Record Package (which includes the administrative record) for the proposed listing will be available for public review and comment. You may want to submit your letter as a comment on the listing.

The proposed amended Reilly Tar Consent Decree has been signed by the parties and was lodged with the district court on October 31. Again, you may want to submit your letter as a formal comment on the proposed Consent Decree during the public comment period on the decree.

Sincerely,

Denise Boone, Chief

Site Assessment and Grants Section

Superfund and Emergency Management Division (SEMD)

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